

WASHINGTON- Congressman Lee Terry wants to alert constituents who have made a donation to the victims of the earthquake in Haiti that they can deduct eligible donations on their 2009 taxes. Today, Congressman Terry voted to support a bill, which allows qualifying donations made after January 11, 2010 until March 1, 2010 to be treated as if the donation was made in 2009 rather than 2010.

**"Thousands of people are homeless, hurting and hungry in Haiti," said Congressman Terry. "The response to help the victims has been overwhelming and I believe this temporary change in our tax laws will encourage more charitable donations for the people of Haiti."**

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The bill defines an eligible contribution as "a cash contribution made for the relief of victims in areas affected by the earthquake in Haiti on January 12, 2010."

